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FM AMEMBASSY ALGIERS

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AMEMBASSY CAIRO

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AMEMBASSY JIDDA

AMEMBASSY KHARTOUM

AMEMBASSY KUWAIT

AMEMBASSY LONDON

AMEMBASSY MANAMA

AMEMBASSY MOSCOW

AMEMBASSY MUSCAT

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AMEMBASSY TEL AVIV

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SUBJ: INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY ESTIMATE ON MIDDLE EAST

1. WE HAVE LITTLE TO CONTRIBUTE TO DEBATE OVER SNIE#
ON MIDDLE EAST. ESTIMATE STRIKES ME AS BEING PRETTY
APOCALYPTIC. BOUMEDIENE IN OUR APRIL 1
CONVERSATION CERTAINLY DID NOT SEEM TO THINK SITUATION
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ONE OF IMMEDIATE CRISIS AND INDICATED BELIEF PEACE

EFFORTS STILL SALVAGEABLE, PROVIDED WE GET PALESTINIANS
INVITED TO GENEVA SOMEHOW.

2. RE OIL EMBARGO PROSPECTS, ALGERIANS WOULD BE MOST
UNHAPPY TO BE FORCED INTO PARTICIPATION IN ONE. THEY
HAVING SERIOUS MONEY PROBLEMS, OIL PRODUCTION AND SALES
ALREADY SERIOUSLY DEPRESSED, AND THEIR DEVELOPMENT
PLANS SUFFERING. BELIEVE IN THIS SITUATION THEY COULD
BE COUNTED ON TO OPPOSE IDEA OF NEW BOYCOTT EXCEPT IN
MOST EXTREME CIRCUMSTANCES, BUT WOULD PROBABLY PARTICIPATE
IN ONE ONCE IT STARTED.PARKER

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